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Letter dated 19 September 2001 from the President of the General Assembly to the Chairman of the Second Committee

I have the honour to transmit to you herewith the decisions taken by the General Assembly at the 3rd plenary meeting of its fifty-sixth session pertaining to the allocation of items to the Second Committee.

I wish to draw your attention to the recommendations on the organization of the session contained in section II of the report of the General Committee (A/56/250). Those recommendations were also approved by the General Assembly at its 3rd plenary meeting.

May I also draw your attention to the paragraphs of sections III and IV of the report concerning the agenda of the Main Committees.

I earnestly request your cooperation in these matters.

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Annex

Items allocated to the Second Committee

1. Macroeconomic policy questions (item 95):
   (a) Trade and development;
   (b) International financial system and development;
   (c) Science and technology for development;
   (d) External debt crisis and development.
2. Sectoral policy questions (item 96):
   (a) Business and development;
   (b) Industrial development cooperation.
3. Sustainable development and international economic cooperation (item 97):
   (a) Women in development;
   (b) Human resources development;
   (c) High-level dialogue on strengthening international economic cooperation for development through partnership;

   [The General Assembly decided to take note of resolution 55/193 of 20 December 2000, and of the decision taken at its 1st plenary meeting, on 12 September 2001, to the effect that the high-level dialogue would be held on 20 and 21 September 2001.]

   (d) Implementation of the commitments and policies agreed upon in the Declaration on International Economic Cooperation, in particular the Revitalization of Economic Growth and Development of the Developing Countries, and implementation of the International Development Strategy for the Fourth United Nations Development Decade.
4. Environment and sustainable development (item 98):
   (a) Implementation of Agenda 21 and the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21;
   (b) International strategy for disaster reduction;
   (c) Implementation of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, particularly in Africa;
   (d) Convention on Biological Diversity;
   (e) Further implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States;
   (f) Protection of global climate for present and future generations of mankind;
   (g) Promotion of new and renewable sources of energy, including the implementation of the World Solar Programme 1996-2005.

5. Operational activities for development (item 99):

   (a) Triennial policy review of operational activities for development of the United Nations system;

   (b) Economic and technical cooperation among developing countries.

6. International migration and development, including the question of the convening of a United Nations conference on international migration and development to address migration issues (item 100).

7. Permanent sovereignty of the Palestinian people in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including Jerusalem, and of the Arab population in the occupied Syrian Golan over their natural resources (item 101).

8. Implementation of the Habitat Agenda and outcome of the special session of the General Assembly on this topic (item 102).

9. Implementation of the first United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty (1997-2006) (item 103).

10. Training and research (item 104).

11. Globalization and interdependence (item 105).

12. Third United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries (item 106):

   (a) Third United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries;

   (b) Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2001-2010.

13. High-level international intergovernmental consideration of financing for development (item 107).

14. Report of the Economic and Social Council (chapters I to V, chapter VII, sections A to C and E to H, and chapter IX) (item 12).

[The General Assembly decided that the chapters of the report listed below would be referred also to plenary meetings and to the Third and Fifth Committees, as follows:

(a)	Chapters I, VII (sections B and C) and IX	Plenary meetings and Third and Fifth Committees
(b)	Chapter II	Plenary meetings
(c)	Chapters III to V and VII (section A)	Plenary meetings and Third Committee]